

Activity 1

Sedimentary Rocks and the Geologic History of Your Community

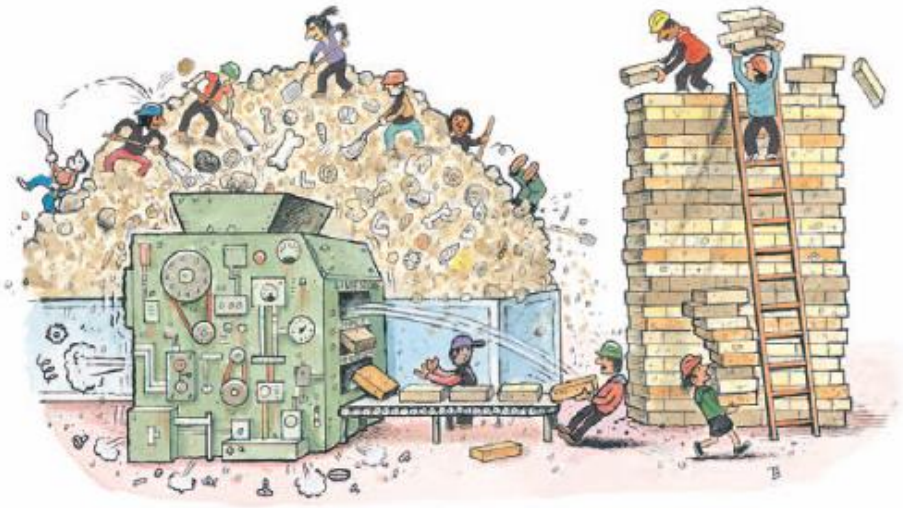
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- How does sediment
(little pieces of rock)
“turn into” sedimentary
rock? (one big rock)



WHAT DO YOU THINK?

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Investigate Part A

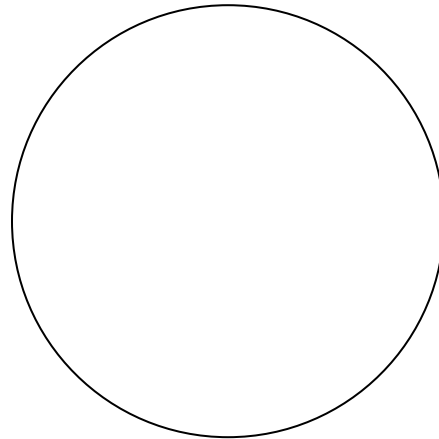
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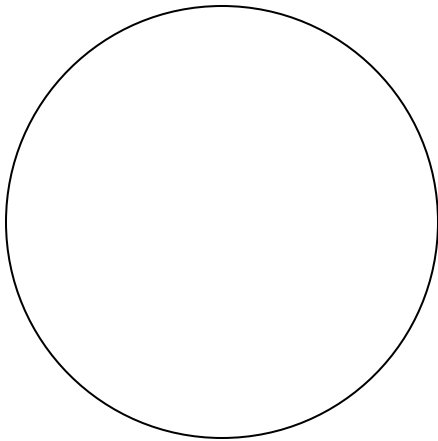
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6a. Draw a labeled diagram of each sedimentary rock.

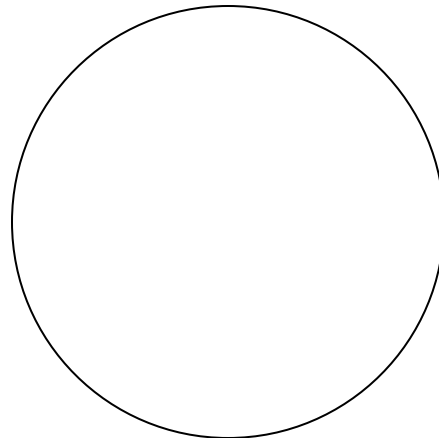
mudstone



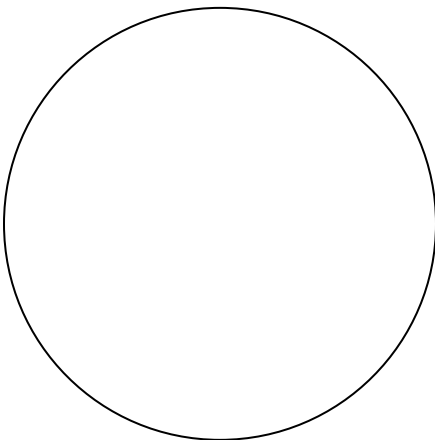
rock salt



sandstone



conglomerate



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Investigate Part B

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1a. Make a data table.

Rock	Description	Sedimentary Type	Name
1			
2			
3			
4			
a			
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Digging Deeper

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<http://www.brainpop.com/science/earthsystem/typesofrocks/>
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Learning Objective: **In writing, SWBAT describe the processes of weathering and erosion and list causes of each using academic language in order to understand how sedimentary rocks form and change.**

Weathering

a process that breaks solid rock into sediments

Causes of
weathering

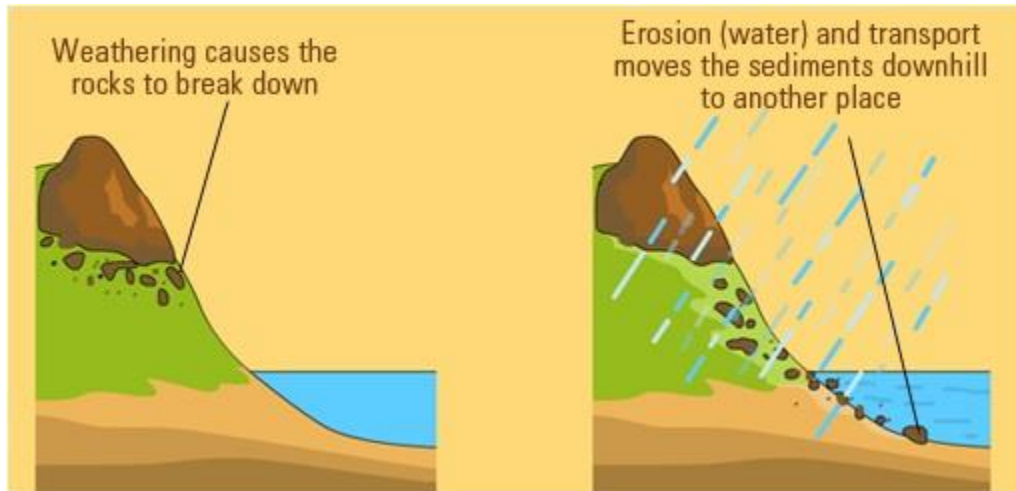
- heat
- water
- wind
- ice
- plant growth
- chemicals (acid rain)

http://www.classzone.com/books/earth_science/terc/content/visualizations/es1305/es1305page01.cfm?chapter_no=visualization

<http://www.brainpop.com/science/weather/weathering/>

Erosion

the movement of sediments to a new location



Causes of erosion

- water
- wind
- gravity
- glaciers

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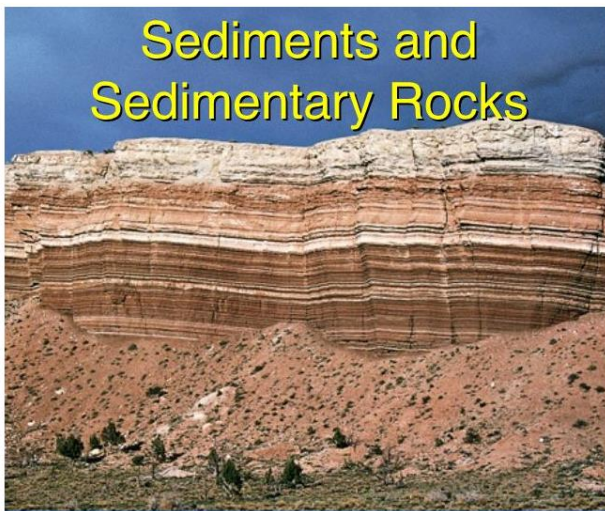
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How sediments
form

the processes of weathering and erosion break solid rock down into sediments and deposit them in new locations



a rock formed when sediments are deposited into layers



Classification

sedimentary rocks are classified by:

- their composition
- how they form

3 types of
sedimentary rock

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Learning Objectives: In writing, SWBAT describe how the three types of sedimentary rocks form and give examples of each type using academic language in order to understand their role in the rock cycle.



a sedimentary rock made up of rock pieces that can become compacted and cemented into solid rock

Examples of
clastic sedimentary
rocks

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a sedimentary rock formed when dissolved minerals come out of water

Examples of chemical sedimentary rocks

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the most common chemical
sedimentary rock



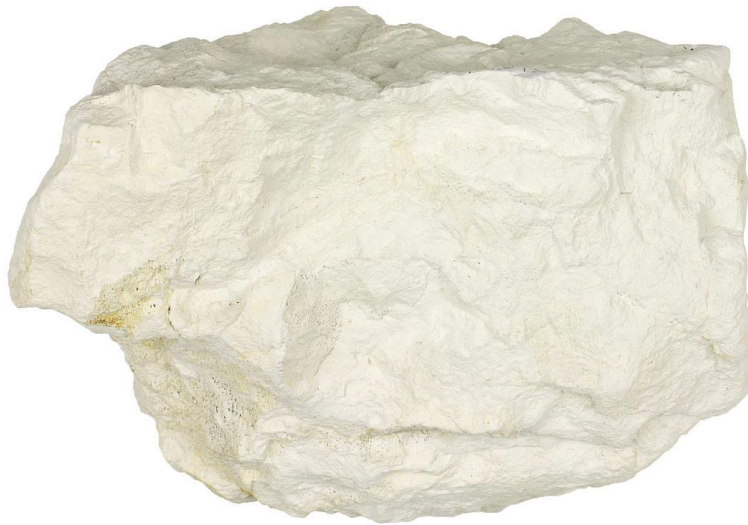
Large areas of the central United
States have limestone bedrock
because oceans covered much of
the country for millions of years



a sedimentary rock made mainly of the remains of organisms that are compacted together

Example of organic sedimentary rock

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- chalk



plants in swamps with rich plant life die and are buried by the remains of later plants of later plants and sediments

Over time, the plant material is compressed so much by the weight of sediment from above that it is turned into solid rock



the first material to form, is not yet buried very deeply




brown coal

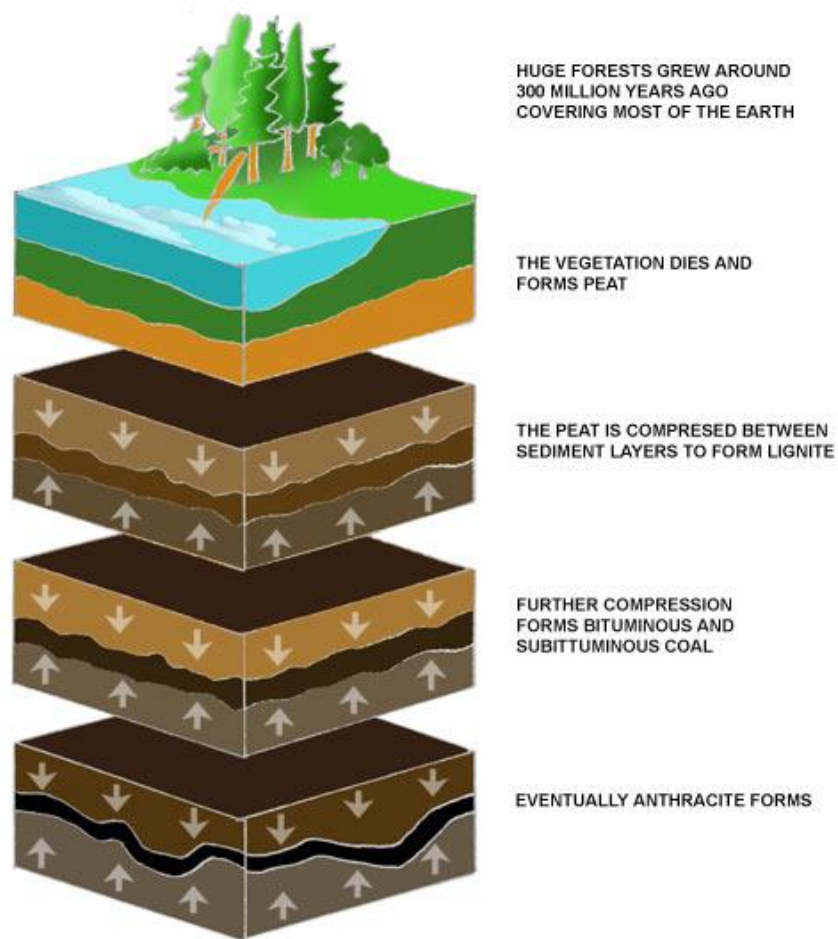


soft coal





hard coal



http://www.hk-phy.org/energy/power/source_phy/flash/formation_e.html

Coal	forms in tropical to subtropical climates
Ancient coal	found in Antarctica suggests the climate in Antarctica was once warm, or tropical

Learning Objective: **In writing, SWBAT compare and contrast compaction and cementation using academic language in order to understand how sedimentary rocks form.**



the process of sediments being compressed by the weight of the layers above them



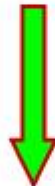
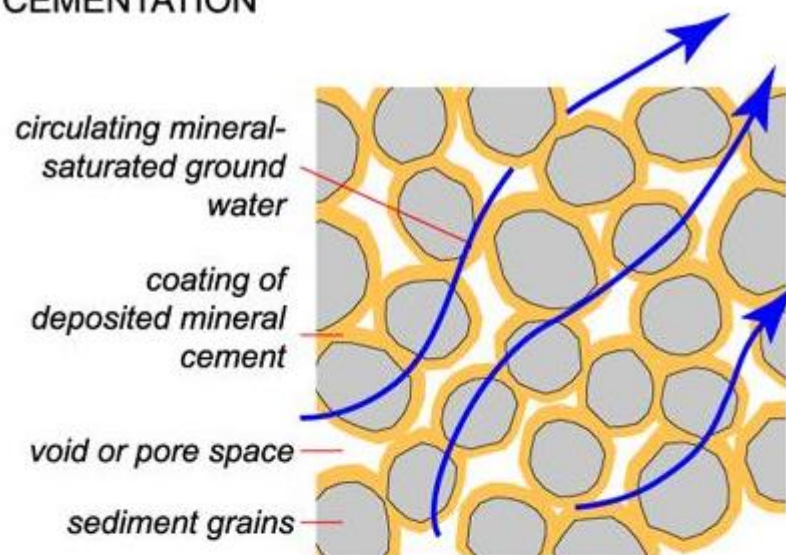
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water carries dissolved minerals through the spaces between sediments and cements them together

Sediments to rock

the processes of compaction and cementation change sediments to solid sedimentary rock

CEMENTATION



http://www.classzone.com/books/earth_science/terc/content/visualizations/es0605/es0605page01.cfm?chapter_no=visualization

<http://www.learner.org/interactives/rockcycle/change3.html>

<http://www.geolsoc.org.uk/ks3/gsl/education/resources/rockcycle/page3559.html>

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Check Your Understanding

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1. Explain how the three main types of sedimentary rock form.

2. What does the discovery of limestone at the top of Mt. Everest suggest about how the geography of that area has changed?

The discovery of limestone at the top of Mt. Everest suggests that the area was once _____ .

3. What does the discovery of ancient coal in Antarctica suggest about the past climate of that area?

The discovery of ancient coal in Antarctica suggests the climate was once _____ .

4. Create a Venn diagram to compare and contrast the processes of weathering and erosion.